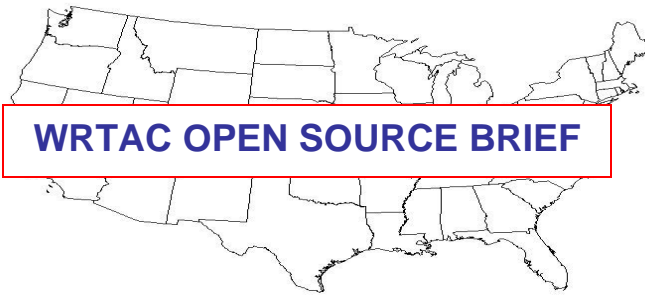


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**In an Emergency Call 9-1-1**

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**Napolitano recruits D.C. area to help fight terrorism**

**(LE Initiative)**

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano announced a series of measures to help the national capital region combat violence and terrorism by identifying suspicious activity and expanding the agency's "If You See Something, Say Something" initiative. The agency will develop curriculum for D.C., Maryland and Virginia police to identify extremist behavior, produce case studies on recent attacks and hold regional summits to share information. The new measures are based on recommendations made by area police chiefs and homeland security experts on ways to support community-based efforts to combat violent extremism. The campaign is designed to raise awareness of indicators of terrorism, crime and other threats and emphasize the importance of reporting suspicious activity to the proper authorities. "When someone in the community feels something is out of place, you have to take them seriously, because it's their neighborhood and they know best," D.C. Police Chief Cathy Lanier said. [http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/local/Napolitano-recruits-D\\_C-area-to-help-fight-terrorism-1007047-99897879.html#ixzz0vezJNU3z](http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/local/Napolitano-recruits-D_C-area-to-help-fight-terrorism-1007047-99897879.html#ixzz0vezJNU3z)



**WRTAC Analyst Note:** To submit a crime tip or Suspicious Activity Report (SAR) in Washington DC call 1-888-919-2746. Suspicious activity reports may also be emailed to [SAR@dc.gov](mailto:SAR@dc.gov) using the attached SAR report form.

**M and T Bank Robbery in Germantown**

**(NCR BOLO)**

On July 24 at approximately 11:00 a.m., officers from the 5<sup>th</sup> district responded to the M and T bank located at 21006 Frederick Road in Germantown for a bank robbery that had just occurred. The preliminary investigation revealed that a male suspect entered the bank, posed as a customer, and handed a note to the teller demanding cash. After obtaining an undisclosed amount of cash, the suspect fled from the bank on foot. No weapon was displayed nor was anyone injured. The suspect is described as a white male, 5'02" tall, between 40 and 50-years-old, and weighing approximately 120 pounds. He was wearing dark blue shorts, a gray shirt with black stripes, and a khaki colored baseball cap. Anyone who has information about this suspect and/or bank robbery is asked to call the Major Crimes Division at 240-773-5100. Those who wish to remain anonymous should call Crime Solvers of Montgomery County at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477). Source: Montgomery County Police Department Major Crimes Division



### DC Department of Health Reminds Parents to Get Back-to-School Immunizations

(Public Health)

DC Department of Health (DOH) is reminding all parents and guardians of children who attend school in the District, to schedule their children's immunization appointments for the next school year. All public and private school students are required to be up-to-date on all vaccinations prior to the start of the school year. **The Department of Health provides free vaccines for healthcare providers that serve Medicaid eligible children and the uninsured. DOH also provides free immunizations for uninsured and under-insured District residents at its express clinic.** For more information about childhood immunizations or for a list of the express immunization clinics, contact the Citywide Call Center by dialing 311. Full article: <http://newsroom.dc.gov/show.aspx/agency/doh/section/2/release/20091>



### Homemade chemical bombs found in Fairfax County mailbox

(NCR BOLO)

Authorities are warning Fairfax County, Virginia residents to beware of homemade chemical bombs placed in mailboxes and on front yards of residential areas. At least eight of the bombs have been found in residential areas of Reston and West Springfield since May. **No one has been injured by the bombs, which are made of over-the-counter chemicals, such as Drano and baking soda. Residents have discovered flaming water bottles upon opening their mailboxes. Hundreds of videos on YouTube explain how to produce similar bombs.**



<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/07/31/AR2010073101778.html?hpid=sec-metro>

### 6 cities to train mail carriers to dispense anti-terror drugs

(Preparedness)

The Postal Service is ready to deliver lifesaving drugs to about a quarter of the residents of Minneapolis-St. Paul, the only metropolitan area in the nation where **letter carriers have been trained to dispense medication after a large-scale terrorist attack involving biological weapons.** Six years after the government began exploring the idea of using postal workers as rapid-response medicine dispensers and eight months after President Obama ordered government agencies to develop a plan to do so, efforts are underway in six cities to train workers to deliver the drugs needed to counter anthrax or other potentially deadly agents, the White House says.



Full Article: [http://www.usatoday.com/news/washington/2010-08-02-postal02\\_ST\\_N.htm](http://www.usatoday.com/news/washington/2010-08-02-postal02_ST_N.htm)

### Gunmen attack checkpoint in Baghdad, raise flag of al-Qaeda

(Global Terrorism)

Gunmen launched a rare, coordinated attack on Iraqi soldiers Thursday in a predominantly Sunni neighborhood of the capital and briefly erected the flag of the insurgent group al-Qaeda in Iraq near a smoldering army checkpoint. Earlier in the day, a suicide bomber driving a minivan slammed into the entrance of an Iraqi army base in northern Iraq, killing at least four soldiers, Iraqi officials said. **In the Baghdad attack, gunmen armed with pistols with silencers approached an army checkpoint inside the barricaded neighborhood of Adhamiyah and fatally shot four soldiers. When soldiers and police rushed to the site to investigate, four bombs that had been planted previously ripped through the area, killing and wounding several first responders.** <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/07/29/AR2010072905782.html>



WRTAC Note: Although this attack occurred overseas it should be noted that this type of attack seems to be a trend among extremists using the initial attack as a way to lure in first responders for follow up attacks using strategically places IEDS. Extremists may be conducting preoperational surveillance studying first responder's techniques. Similar incidents have occurred in the past months in Iran on July 15 and in Somalia on May 1, both attacks targeting Mosque's.

### Bomb found at Britain's MI6 spy agency

(Global Terrorism)

Two men were being questioned Sunday after one parcel bomb was sent to Britain's MI6 foreign intelligence agency and another was intercepted. The two suspects, aged 52 and 21, were arrested on suspicion of explosives offences on Friday. Police were called on Wednesday after a suspicious package was found at the Secret Intelligence Service building in Vauxhall, south London. A second suspected parcel bomb was discovered at a south London postal sorting office on Thursday. "The Metropolitan Police Service is investigating two suspect packages addressed to premises in central London," said a spokesman for the city's police force. "Both packages have been recovered by police."

[http://www.google.com/hostednews/canadianpress/article/ALeqM5jYHfDDLQqUWEr13Gcghf\\_jgci20w](http://www.google.com/hostednews/canadianpress/article/ALeqM5jYHfDDLQqUWEr13Gcghf_jgci20w)

### Paris Police: Tear Gas in Letter for US Embassy

Two men who work for the U.S. Embassy in Paris underwent medical tests after handling a suspicious letter Friday, it appeared they had been exposed to tear gas fumes. **An embassy employee received a manila envelope sent as registered mail that had no mail inside, but it began emitting fumes after the employee opened it. The official said the throats and eyes of the employee and two others were irritated. Two months ago, Paris police were asked to investigate a similar case involving a letter to the U.S. ambassador.**



[http://www.foxnews.com/world/2010/07/30/embassy-workers-paris-reportedly-poisoned-mail/?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+foxnews%2Fworld+%28Internal++World+Latest++Text%29](http://www.foxnews.com/world/2010/07/30/embassy-workers-paris-reportedly-poisoned-mail/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+foxnews%2Fworld+%28Internal++World+Latest++Text%29)

### Explosion derails part of Turkish cargo train

(Terrorism TTP)

**Eight cars of a cargo train in eastern Turkey were derailed Monday by a mine believed to have been planted by Kurdish militants,** according to Turkey's state railway company. There were no reports of injuries in the blast, which occurred between Alp station and Erzincan, according to Turkish State Railway (TCDD). The train was carrying passengers and cargo, including military equipment and vehicles, from Divirgi to Erzincan, the railway said. The mine was believed to have been planted by the Kurdistan Workers Party, or PKK militants. Efforts were underway to reopen the railway Monday, the railway said. Clashes between Turkish security forces and the PKK have escalated since the PKK ended its unilateral cease-fire on June 1. <http://edition.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/europe/08/02/turkey.train.bomb/index.html?iref=allsearch#fbid=WE7gM22bkhC>



### Terrorist Smuggling into U.S. a Real Concern

(Homeland Security)

**"According to the National Drug Intelligence Center's (NDIC) 2008 National Drug Threat Assessment, the southwest border region is the principal entry point for smuggled aliens from Mexico, Central America, and South America. Aliens from countries of special interest to the United States such as Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, and Pakistan (known as special-interest aliens) also illegally enter the United States through the region,"** Richard Stana, the Government Accounting Office's (GAO) Director of Homeland Security and Justice Issues, stated in prepared testimony before the House Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism He also warned that "some Mexican drug trafficking organizations specialize in smuggling special-interest aliens into the United States." <http://www.thenewamerican.com/index.php/usnews/crime/4180-terrorist-smugglin>



### **Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Two Lots of NeoProfen®**

**(Public Safety)**

Lundbeck Inc. has voluntarily recalled two lots of NeoProfen® (ibuprofen lysine) Injection that failed to meet a visible particulate quality requirement. This voluntary recall is the result of the company's inspections of the two product lots of NeoProfen. The NeoProfen recall, NDC 67386-122-52, includes product lots 1734991 (expiration date: April, 2011) and 1922319 (expiration date: March, 2012). NeoProfen is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory therapy indicated to close a clinically significant patent ductus arteriosus (PDA) in premature infants weighing between 500 and 1500 g, who are no more than 32 weeks gestational age when usual medical management is ineffective. This recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Notification of the recall and resulting product shortage has been sent to all wholesalers who have received these lots, all hospital pharmacies, and prescribing neonatologists. For medical information questions about NeoProfen, please call 866-402-8520 or email [luinc-druginfo@lundbeck.com](mailto:luinc-druginfo@lundbeck.com). Any adverse events that may be related to the use of these products should be reported to the FDA's MedWatch website at <http://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch/default.htm>.

### **Toyota recalls Avalons to correct steering defect**

**(Public Safety)**

Toyota has recalled approximately 373,000 2000-2004 Model Year Toyota Avalons sold in the United States because the vehicle's steering lock bar could break under certain conditions. No other Toyota or Lexus vehicles are involved in this recall. Toyota said there was improper casting of the steering lock bar, which is a component of the steering interlock system.

[http://www.consumeraffairs.com/news04/2010/07/toyota\\_steering\\_recall.html](http://www.consumeraffairs.com/news04/2010/07/toyota_steering_recall.html)



### **FDA recalls Frozen Reptile Feed**

**(Public Safety)**

Biggers & Callahan LLC, D/B/A [doing business as] Mice Direct of Cleveland, Georgia, is recalling frozen reptile feed (mice, rats, chicks), because it has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella. Salmonella can affect animals and there is risk to humans from handling contaminated pet products. People handling contaminated pet food can become infected, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the product or any surfaces exposed to these products. Human illnesses that may be related to the frozen reptile feed have been reported in 17 states. The recalled product should not be fed to animals, even after heating in a microwave oven, since the heating may not be adequate to kill Salmonella. The recall is based upon sampling by the FDA of frozen mice. The company continues their investigation. <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm220367.htm>



### **FDA Approves Vaccines For Next Flu Season**

**(Public Health)**

The Food and Drug Administration announced that "it had approved vaccines for the next flu season, expected to start in the fall, and health officials are recommending vaccination for everyone six months old and older." The 2010-11 vaccine will contain killed or weakened forms of three viruses: the swine flu virus, technically known as A/California/7/09 (H1N1)-like virus pandemic (H1N1) 2009 influenza; the A/Perth /16/2009 (H3N2)-like virus; and the B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus." To date, "eight vaccines made by six companies have been approved, including a new, high-dose version meant for people 65 and older." [http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/31/health/policy/31flu.html?\\_r=1&ref=health](http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/31/health/policy/31flu.html?_r=1&ref=health)

### **GlobalIncidentMap.com Weekend Incident Update**

AFGHANISTAN - 2 British Service Members Die In Afghan Attacks  
AFGHANISTAN - 30 Taliban Militants Killed In Eastern Afghanistan  
AFGHANISTAN - 6 Afghans Killed When Minibus Hits Roadside Bomb  
AFGHANISTAN - Roadside Bomb Wounds Afghan Presidents Advisor In Eastern Afghanistan  
AFGHANISTAN - Suicide Attack Kills 3 - Wounds 18 In Northern Afghan Province  
AFGHANISTAN - Suicide Car Bomb Kills 4 In Kandahar  
AFGHANISTAN - Suspected Insurgent Commander Captured In Eastern Afghanistan  
AFGHANISTAN - UK Troops Find Bomb Factory In Afghanistan Operation

**UNCLASSIFIED - OPEN SOURCE INFORMATION**

ALGERIA - Qaeda Says Held Talks On Hostage Killed In Sahara  
AUSTRALIA - All Clear For Sydney Airport Following Bomb Threat  
BRAZIL - Police Station Attacked - Cars Torched In Brazil  
COLOMBIA - Colombia Tightens Security Nationwide  
COLOMBIA - Colombian Police Discover Guerilla Attack Plan - Explosives Seized  
COLOMBIA - FARC Rebels Kill 3 Soldiers In Colombia  
CYPRUS - Police Trace Phone Calls Of Suspects In Explosives Case  
GAZA - Blast In Gaza Wounds 24 Palestinians  
GREECE - Further Greek Woe As Terrorists Threaten Tourism  
INDIA - 1 More Arrested In Gyaneshwari Train Tragedy In West Bengal  
INDIA - 2 NDFB militants nabbed in Assam  
INDIA - 2 Separatist Rebels Surrender In Meghalaya  
INDIA - 3 Anti-Tank Mines Defused  
INDIA - 40 KG Landmine Recovered In Jharkhand  
INDIA - 40 KG RDX Recovered In Jammu And Kashmir  
INDIA - 7 Killed On Third Day Of Fresh Violence In Kashmir  
INDIA - Army Officer With AK-47 Bullets Arrested At Airport  
INDIA - Crude Bomb Blasts On The Outskirts Of Kolkata  
INDIA - Explosives - Detonators Recovered From Punjab  
INDIA - Explosives To Disrupt Independence Day Celebrations Recovered  
INDIA - Half Of Chhattisgarhs Diamond Belt In Maoist Strongholds  
INDIA - Maoist Activist Held For Role In Teachers Killing  
INDIA - Maoist Commander Killed - Another Arrested In Jharkhand  
INDIA - Maoists Preparing To Retaliate - Centre  
INDIA - Militants Extorting Money From Imphal Teachers  
INDIA - Naxals Have Good Base In Jawaharlal Nehru University And Delhi University  
INDIA - Security Beefed Up In Assam Before Independence Day  
INDIA - Two Myanmarese Nationals Held In Tripura  
IRAQ - 2 Al-Qaeda Members Arrested In Diala  
IRAQ - 4 Iraqi Soldiers Wounded Eastern Mosul  
IRAQ - 4 Killed - 11 Wounded In Bombing South Of Baghdad  
IRAQ - 5 Civilians Wounded In Grenade Attack In Mosul  
IRAQ - Iraqi Security Forces Arrest Suspected Kataib Hezbollah Member - 2 Suspected AQI Associates  
IRAQ - Militants Blow Up policemen House - 3 Dead  
IRAQ - Truck Driver Wounded In Roadside Bomb Blast In Nassiriya  
ISRAEL - Hamas Vows Revenge After Israeli Strikes On Gaza  
ISRAEL - Iran To Set Tel Aviv Ablaze If Attacked - Report  
ISRAEL - Israeli Tourist Destinations Under Attack  
ISRAEL - Kassam Hits Empty School Building At Sderot  
ISRAEL - Mortar Shell Explodes In Negev - None Injured  
ISRAEL - Police Arrest Third Suspect In Alleged Jewish Terrorist Affair  
ISRAEL - Updated - 5 Rockets Fired At Southern City Of Eilat - 4 Injured In Aqaba Jordan  
JORDAN - Jordan Pledges To Continue Fighting Terror After Aqaba Missile Strike  
LEBANON - Lebanese Worker Suspected Of Spying For Israel  
MAURITANIA - Al Qaeda Vows To Kill More French In North Africa  
MEXICO - Bomb Thrown At US-Mexico Border Bridge  
NEPAL - Suspected Extortionists Hurl Bomb At Kalaiya Dairy  
NIGERIA - Power Outage As Vandals Destroy Gas Pipeline  
NORTH KOREA - Senior US Envoy Warns North Korea To Give Up Nuke Program  
PAKISTAN - Air Strikes Kill 15 Militants In Orakzai In Northwest Pakistan  
PAKISTAN - Bomb Kills 2 Pakistani Soldiers In Northwest  
PALESTINIAN TERRITORY - 20 Hamas Leaders Detained - Funds Seized  
PHILIPPINES - NPA Rebels Torch Dole Trucks In Southern Philippines  
RUSSIA - 12 OMON Policemen Wounded In Clashes With Militants  
RUSSIA - Gunmen Kill 3 Russian Policemen  
RUSSIA - Senior Police Officer Shot Dead In Dagestan

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RUSSIA - Top Chechen Rebel Steps Down - Appoints Successor  
SOMALIA - Somali Jihadis Launch Online News Channel To Promote Terrorist Propaganda  
SOMALIA - Somali Pirates Hijack Panama-Flagged Ship  
THAILAND - 3 M79 Grenades Found In Drainage Ditch At Government House  
THAILAND - Insurgency Suspect Nabbed In Pattani After Home Raid  
TURKEY - 4 Killed In Landmine Blast In Southeastern Turkey  
TURKEY - Train In Eastern Turkey Derailed In Suspected Terrorist Attack  
UNITED KINGDOM - Suspected Bomb In Snodland  
USA - Global Incident Map Launches Iranian Conflict Map  
UZBEKISTAN - Uzbek Frontier Guards Held Back 3 Trucks Carrying 43 Tones Of Explosives To Kyrgyzstan  
VIRGINIA - Arrest of Virginia Man Highlights Al-Qaida Efforts To Recruit Americans  
WASHINGTON - Bomb Threat Closes Belfair Safeway Store  
WASHINGTON - Empty Bomb Threat Empties Belfair Safeway  
YEMEN - Yemen Confirms Rebel Abduction Of 228 Soldiers And Tribesmen  
For more information on the above incidents please visit [www.globalincidentmap.com](http://www.globalincidentmap.com)

## Resources

**GlobalIncidentMap.com**

A Global Display of Terrorism And Other Suspicious Events

### Washington DC Links

Live Traffic Reports <http://www.ddot.dc.gov/traffic>

Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency <http://hsema.dc.gov/dcema/site/default.asp>

DC Department of Health <http://dchealth.dc.gov/doh/site/default.asp>

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